



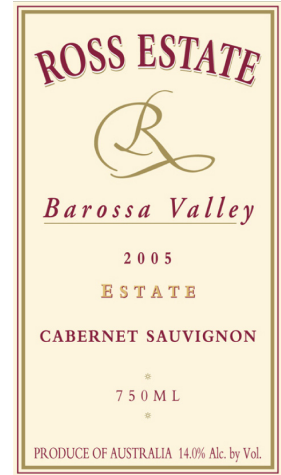
# Ross Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2005

*Suggested Retail: \$24.99*

**Wine Maker:** Neville Falkenberg  
**Appellation:** Barossa Valley  
**Varietal:** cabernet Sauvignon  
**Yields per Acre:** 1.75 T/Acre  
**Cases Produced:** 1000 Dozen Cases  
**Filtration and fining:** 40% new 60% old French oak  
**Wood treatment:** 14 Months but still in barrel

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**Alcohol %:** 14.5%  
**Total Acid:** 6.9  
**Free/Total Sulfur:** 19/59  
**pH:** 5.5  
**Residual Sugar:** 1.4



**UPC#:** 840700001088

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**Viticultural Practices:** THE GRAPES Batched for this wine were carefully selected from our vineyards in Lyndoch. THE 2005 VINTAGE provided good growing conditions, ensuring full maturity of all varieties of grapes in a warm dry season. Harvest took place in late March 2005. The grapes were harvested at optimal ripeness, in order to fully display their individual characteristics. FERMENTATION took place in open-fermenters for extended contact of eight to ten days with daily pump overs. The wine was drained and lightly pressed into French hogsheads where fermentation was completed. After racking, the wine was returned to hogsheads for a further fourteen months maturation and is still in barrel. THE WINE is dark to very dark crimson with a blue tinge and displays a new season nose of green capsicum, spice, black pepper and cinnamon. The palate is smooth and rich, exhibiting fresh plums, sweet cherry fruit with overtones of roasted red capsicum and Spanish olives, balanced by velvety tannins. BEST DRINKING Now to 2015.

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**Scores: 90 pts Robert Parker, Jr. # 173** - The opaque purple 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon offers a nose of smoke, spice box, espresso, violets, black currant, and plum. Medium to full-bodied with a broad band of forward, ripe black fruits accompanied by excellent depth and length, this elegantly rendered Cabernet can be enjoyed now and over the next 8 years.

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